IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

WRIT PETITION No. 25612 of 1997

Between:

1 Rate Payers' Association, Rep.by its President Boggarapu Tripura Subdararao, Kanigiri, Prakasam Dist.
2 Merchants' Association, Rep.by its President Jonnalagadda Subbarao, Kanigiri, Prakasam district.

..... PETITIONERS

AND

Inspector of Weights & Measures,
Kandukur, Prakasam district. .....RESPONDENT

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a Writ or order or direction, particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondent in demanding the stamp duty from the members of the petitioners from 1987 onwards, that too with penalty at the enhanced rates, and without granting sufficient time, as arbitrary, capricious, illegal, and in violation of the well-settled principles of natural justice.

Counsel for the Petitioner : Mr.RAMA RAO GHANTA

Counsel for the Respondent : G.P. FOR CIVIL SUPPLIES

The Court made the following :

ORDER:

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In view of the interim directions issued by this Court dated 21-10-1997, in W.P.M.P. No. 29804 of 1997, directing the respondent to collect the stamp fee in accordance with the revised Rules from 1997 onwards, the learned counsel for the petitioner as well as the learned Government Pleader submitted that no further orders need be passed in the writ petition, and it has become infructuous.

The submission is placed on record, and the writ petition is dismissed as having become infructuous. No costs.

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N.V.RAMANA, J

Date: 16.3.2005

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To

1. The Inspector of Weights & Measures, Kandukur, Prakasam district.

2. Two CCs to the G.P. for Civil Supplies, High Court Buildings, Hyderabad (OUT).

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